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SUBJECT: OECD INTERNATIONAL ENERGY AGENCY SLT/ERD
EXPERT GROUP MEETING ON FUSION.

1. GROUP MET FEBRUARY 10-11, USING AS BASIS FOR ITS
REPORT POLUMBO WORKING PAPER OF
FEB.4, 75. ESSENTIAL MATTERS PROPOSED FOLLOW.
 2. GROUP WILL RECOMMEND TO SLT/ERD SUB GROUP THAT FUSION
COORDINATING COMMITTEE BE ESTABLISHED TO (A) FORMULATE
PROPOSALS FOR NEW COOPERATIVE ACTIONS (B) FOLLOW
PROGRESS OF THESE ACTIONS, AND (C) REPORT PROGRESS ON
FUSION R & D INCLUDING ITS SIGNIFICANCE TO ENERGY
GENERATION.
 3. AS REQUIRED FOR SPECIFIC PROGRAM ITEMS COORDINATING
COMMITTEE WOULD SET UP AD HOC SPECIALIST WORKING
PARTIES.
 4. AS A FIRST STEP IN THIS FRAMEWORK, FOR CONCRETE USA
PROPOSAL TO COOPERATE ON GAS TARGET NEUTRON SOURCE, INS,
AGREED ON AD HOC SPECIALIST WORKING PARTY COMPRISED
OF REPS OF INTERESTED COUNTRIES BE ESTABLISHED. USA
AS LEAD COUNTRY FOR WPS WILL CIRCULATE WITHIN NEXT 2
MONTHS WORKING DOCUMENT OUTLINING TERMS OF REF PROPOSED
PROJECT INVOLVEMENT AS BASIS FOR DISCUSSION AT MEETING
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OF WP, ONE OR TWO MONTHS LATER.

5. IN ABOUT ONE YEAR SIMILAR PROPOSALS ON COOPERATION, EG ON PLASMA-WALL INTERACTION STUDIES AND SUPERCONDUCTING MAGNET SYSTEMS, ARE EXPECTED TO BE READY FOR SUBMISSION TO COORDINATING COMMITTEE.

6. FOR BROADER PROGRAMS E.G. MATERIALS RESEARCH WITH NEUTRON SOURCES STEERING COMMITTEES COULD BE ESTABLISHED WITH EXECUTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES AND WITH MODUS OPERANDI PROPOSED BY COORDINATING COMMITTEE.

7. ON COST AND MANPOWER, IT WAS CONCLUDED THAT AREAS OF COOPERATION WILL INITIALLY BE COVERED LARGELY BY PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES.

8. ESTIMATED INS PROGRAM COST 35 MILLION DOLLARS OVER 5 YEARS WITH USA FUNDING PROJECT IN AMOUNT 30 MILLION DOLLARS AND PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES BEARING COSTS COLLABORATION ACTIVITIES. (5 MILLION DOLLARS).

9. MEETING REPS WERE MOSTLY EXPERIENCED IN MAGNETIC CONFINEMENT. INERTIAL CONFINEMENT, CONSPICUOUS BY ITS ABSENCE IN POLUMBO WORKING PAPER, IS INCLUDED AS TOPIC FOR GROWING COLLABORATION.

10. IT WAS LEARNED DURING MEETING THAT DIRECTOR GENERAL IAEA VIENNA, SUPPORTS PROPOSAL THAT IAEA COLLECT DATA IN BASIC ATOMIC AND SURFACE PHYSICS RELATED TO FUSION AS NUCLEAR DATA ALREADY IN PROGRESS.
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